

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

SOUTH FLORENCE HIGH

Florence 1

Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,594

**Principal: Neal Vincent** 

Superintendent: Dr. Allie E. Brooks

**Board Chair: Porter Stewart** 

### PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
11	10	19	1	2

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	77.0%	77.6%	77.8%	76.4%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	13.6%	12.6%	11.4%	13.9%
Passed no subtests (%)	9.3%	9.9%	11.0%	10.3%

#### SAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011 High Schools with Students Our High School Like Ours Passage Rate 88.7%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE						
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours				
Number of students	393	281				
Number of Diplomas	297	189				
Rate (%)	75.6%	70.5%				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011							
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours					
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	67.0	75.3					
English 1	68.2	63.8					
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	59.3	65.3					
Physical Science	47.5	55.2					
US History and the Constitution	50.0	42.8					
All Tests	57.8	60.4					

### NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina	28	45	25	2			
Nation	25	43	29	3			
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, a	nd Advanced				
■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced							

MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina	30	38	25	7		
Nation	28	39	26	8		
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficier	nt, and Advanc	ed		
■ Below Basic □ Bas	sic Proficient	Advanced				

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)							
South Carolina		45	32	22	1		
Nation		38	33	28	1		
% Below Basic % Basic, P				ent, and Ad	vanced		
■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced							

#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

## SOUTH FLORENCE HIGH [Florence 1]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,594)				
Retention rate	4.2%	Up from 2.0%	3.8%	3.4%
Attendance rate	97.3%	Up from 94.5%	95.1%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	3.4%	Up from 2.3%	12.1%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	13.3%	Down from 16.4%	10.1%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	9.9%	Down from 11.4%	7.5%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.9%	Down from 1.8%	0.5%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	3.5%	Down from 5.5%	12.0%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	44.0%	Down from 45.2%	46.5%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.3%	Up from 28.3%	30.2%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	2.0%	Down from 3.3%	2.9%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	1.9%	Up from 0.0%	2.0%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	72	Down from 181	362	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	81.9%	Up from 74.6%	82.4%	83.0%
Teachers (n=86)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.1%	Up from 61.4%	60.4%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	84.9%	Up from 78.4%	82.6%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.7%	Up from 90.2%	87.9%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 96.1%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,021	Up 0.1%	\$46,880	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.6%	Up from 0.8%	2.0%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	15.6 days	Up from 14.5 days	10.2 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.7 to 1	Up from 26.0 to 1	26.9 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.7%	Up from 89.7%	89.2%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,437	Down 2.2%	\$7,499	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.1%	Up from 59.9%	56.8%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.5%	Down from 63.3%	60.5%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 98.1%	97.6%	97.3%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	57.1%	Down from 66.7%	64.7%	65.2%

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	84	333	73
Percent satisfied with learning environment	86.9%	68.4%	83.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	89.2%	74.5%	70.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	63.9%	82.0%	81.2%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2010-2011 school year at South Florence High School was filled with success as the school, students and faculty members received numerous awards and participated in a host of educational and extra-curricular events and activities. Collaborative practices were at the heart of this year's success as SFHS received a Center of Excellence grant for Fencing equipment and became the only public school in SC to offer Fencing as a part of the PE curriculum. Fencing skills were showcased as every 9th grader participated in a dramatic production of "Romeo & Juliet." SFHS also celebrated having the District Teacher of the Year and SC VFW's High School Teacher of the

SFHS's class of 2011 earned over \$3,890,000 in scholarship offers. 2011 graduates were awarded scholarships from the following organizations: Presbyterian College, Newberry College, North Greenville University, South Carolina State University, The Art Institute of Charleston, Charleston Southern University and Hope College.

Student recognition for the 2010-11 school year included: 2010 Youth in Government (YIG) Premier Delegation; YIG Outstanding Trail Attorney; YIG Associate Justice of the Supreme Court; SC Governor's School for the Arts Visual Arts attendee and Vocalist summer program participant; and two Navy JROTC participants in the University of San Diego's Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Seminar. SFHS students also excelled in athletics as they participated in varsity and junior varsity sports to include volleyball, football, cross country, swimming, tennis, basketball, cheerleading, golf, track, soccer, softball, and baseball. For the second consecutive year, SFHS was awarded the district's All Sports Trophy for having the best head-to-head record against other FSD1 schools.

SFHS's work in building professional learning communities and providing meaningful learning opportunities to all learners in the building continued. Teachers participated in professional learning communities and worked collaboratively to promote student achievement. Arts offerings increased as students took dance, orchestra, chorus, visual arts, band, music appreciation and drama courses. In partnership with Florence-Darlington Technical College, 42 juniors and seniors completed 97 dual-credit courses. Second year students increased HSAP scores and many SFHS students participated in service learning opportunities to include a Math-A-Thon benefit for St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Relay for Life, Camp Rae Fundraiser, Hero Breakfast, and the annual Mix-it-Up Day. The SFHS faculty continues to financially support the United Way, the FSD1 Educational Foundation and the United Negro College Fund. We will continue to strive for excellence at SFHS as we look forward to next year's successes.

Neal Vincent, Principal

Dr. Tonya F. Mack, School Improvement Council Chair

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.